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Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 5104th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts

Military Staff Committee

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 1550th meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 9

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

11.30 a.m. . . . . . 73rd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: draft resolution (A/59/L.53) . . . . . [45 and 55]

Main Committees

Second Committee

3–6 p.m. . . . . 41st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions . . . . . [83]
   (a) International trade and development

   Action on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.25
2. Draft provisional programme of work for the sixtieth session of the Second Committee (A/C.2/59/CRP.1)

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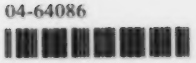

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. 32nd meeting — Conference Room 3

Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 [108]

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/59/L.53: Modalities, format and organization of the High-level Plenary Meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly (A/C.5/59/25 and A/59/613)

Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1]–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on:

Item 108 (Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005):

First performance report for the biennium 2004-2005 (A/59/578, A/59/578/Add.1 and A/59/601);

Unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 2004-2005 (A/59/90 and A/59/551);

Request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (A/C.5/59/3, A/C.5/59/3/Corr.1, A/C.5/59/3/Add.1, A/59/553 and A/59/553/Corr.1);

Financial viability of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/59/271);

Strengthening the Department of Public Information, within the existing capacity, in order to support and enhance the United Nations web site in all official languages of the Organization: status of implementation (A/59/336 and A/59/558);

Construction of additional conference facilities at Vienna International Centre (A/C.5/59/23);

International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/59/433, A/59/560 and A/59/579);

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.26: Future operation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/C.5/59/16 and A59/579);

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.29/Rev.1: Rights of the child (A/C.5/59/22 and A/59/597);

Programme budget implications of draft resolution of recommendations contained in the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/C.5/59/13 and A/59/567); and

[1] Following the adjournment of the 32nd meeting of the Committee.

Revised estimates and programme budget implications: effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation (A/C.5/59/24)

Item 116 (United Nations common system (A/59/30 (Vol. I-II), A/59/153, A/59/399, A/59/429 and A/59/522))

Item 108 (Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005):

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives, authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (A/59/534/Add.1, A/59/534/Add.2, A/59/569/Add.1 and A/59/569/Add.2)

Item 107 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations):

Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/59/415 and A/59/600)

Item 118 (Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/59/359, A/58/364, A/58/785, A/57/747 and A/57/747/Corr.1))

Item 119 (Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 48/218B and 54/244)

Item 109 (Programme planning (A/59/16, A/59/87, A/59/6 (Part One), A/59/6 (Part One)/Corr.1, A/59/6 (Prog. 2), A/59/6 (Prog. 3), A/59/6 (Prog. 4), A/59/6 (Prog. 5), A/59/6 (Prog. 6), A/59/6 (Prog. 7), A/59/6 (Prog. 8), A/59/6 (Prog. 9), A/59/6 (Prog. 10)/Rev.1, A/59/6 (Prog. 11), A/59/6 (Prog. 12), A/59/6 (Prog. 13), A/59/6 (Prog. 14), A/59/6 (Prog. 15), A/59/6 (Prog. 16), A/59/6 (Prog. 17), A/59/6 (Prog. 18), A/59/6 (Prog. 19), A/59/6 (Prog. 20), A/59/6 (Prog. 21), A/59/6 (Prog. 22), A/59/6 (Prog. 22)/Corr.1, A/59/6 (Prog. 23), A/59/6 (Prog. 24), A/59/6 (Prog. 25), A/59/6 (Prog. 26), A/59/69, A/59/79 A/C.5/59/13, A/C.5/59/14, A/C.5/59/15, A/C.5/59/17 and A/59/567))

Item 114 (Human resources management (A/59/263, A/59/263/Add.1, A/59/263/Add. 2, A/59/357, A/59/211, A/59/264, A/59/291, A/59/446, A/59/217, A/59/222, A/58/666, A/59/299, A/C.5/58/L.13, A/58/283, A/59/213, A/59/213/Add.1, A/C.5/59/CRP.3, A/C.5/59/4, A/59/388, A/59/253, A/59/152, A/58/704, A/56/956, A/56/956/Add.1, A/59/65 and A/59/65/Add.1))

Item 108 (Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005):

Strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations (A/59/365, A/59/365/Corr.1, A/59/365/Add.1, A/59/365/Add.1/Corr.1, A/59/539 and A/59/396)

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting ..... Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting ..... Conference Room 10

Closure of the session

Other meetings

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Friday, 17 December 2004

Consultations on Programme 19 of the proposed strategic framework for the period 2006-2007 (A/59/6 (Prog. 19)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

10–11 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and promotion of durable peace and sustainable development on Africa (organized by the Permanent Mission of France)

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(Fifth Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development)*

2–3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of 77 *(organization of work of the thirteenth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD13)/Global Environment Facility (GEF))*

3.30–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) (under agenda item 38 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Morocco)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Special forum on "Protection of human rights of migrants" (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the Subcommittee on Immigrants and Refugees of the NGO Committee on Human Rights)

A special forum on "Protection of human rights of migrants", organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the Subcommittee on Immigrants and Refugees of the NGO Committee on Human Rights, will be held *today*, 17 December from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of Permanent Missions and United Nations agencies and organizations, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Friday, 17 December 2004

Room S-226

12 noon — Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 20 December 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

3 p.m. — 74th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

1. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: report of the Third Committee (A/59/491) [93]
2. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: report of the Third Committee (A/59/492) [94]
3. Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing: report of the Third Committee (A/59/493) [95]
4. Crime prevention and criminal justice: report of the Third Committee (A/59/494) [96]
5. International drug control: report of the Third Committee (A/59/495) [97]
6. Advancement of women: report of the Third Committee (A/59/496) [98]
7. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century": report of the Third Committee (A/59/497) [99]

8. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions: report of the Third Committee (A/59/498) . . . . . [100]

9. Promotion and protection of the rights of children: report of the Third Committee (A/59/499) . . . . . [101]

10. Programme of activities for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, 1995-2004: report of the Third Committee (A/59/500) . . . . . [102]

11. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: report of the Third Committee (A/59/501) . . . . . [103]

12. Right of peoples to self-determination: report of the Third Committee (A/59/502) [104]

13. Human rights questions: report of the Third Committee (A/59/503) . . . . . [105]

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments: report of the Third Committee (A/59/503/Add.1)[1]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms: report of the Third Committee (A/59/503/Add.2)[1]

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives: report of the Third Committee (A/59/503/Add.3)[1]

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action: report of the Third Committee (A/59/503/Add.4)

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: report of the Third Committee (A/59/503/Add.5)

14. Programme planning: report of the Third Committee (A/59/609)[1] . . . . . [109]

15. Credentials of representatives to the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly: report of the Credentials Committee (A/59/602) . . . . . [3 (b)]

16. Report of the Economic and Social Council . . . . . [12]

(a) Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/59/3/Add.2)[1]

(b) Draft resolutions (A/59/L.47 and A/59/L.48)

17. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance . . . . . [39]

(i) Draft resolution (A/59/L.51)

(ii) Amendment (A/59/L.52)

(a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: draft resolution (A/59/L.26/Rev.1)

18. Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union: draft resolution (A/59/L.54) . . . . . [56 (a)]

[1] To be issued.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, together with the Commonwealth of Independent States, will hold in Almaty (Kazakhstan) from Wednesday to Friday, 26 to 28 January 2005, its fourth special meeting with international, regional and sub-regional organizations (open to Member States and invitees). All Member States are welcome to attend as observers. Interested Member States are kindly requested to contact the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan (tel. 1 (212) 230-1900, extensions 20 or 13).

General Assembly

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States
Port Louis, Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005

The Secretary-General of the United Nations International Meeting would like to inform all concerned that the International Meeting will be held *at the Swami Vivekananda International Convention Center, at Les Pailles, Mauritius,* from 10 to 14 January 2005. It will be preceded by two days of informal consultations in Mauritius on Saturday and Sunday, 8 and 9 January. The high-level segment will be held on Thursday and Friday, 13 and 14 January.

The provisional agenda and annotations are contained in document A/CONF.207/1 and the organization of work, including the establishment of the Main Committee, is contained in document A/CONF.207/4.

Lists of speakers

Plenary interactive panels

There will be no speakers' lists for the interactive panels organized in the plenary, scheduled to take place from Monday, 10 January, to Wednesday, 12 January. The Panels will address the following themes: The Environmental Vulnerabilities of Small Island Developing States; The Special Challenges of Small Island Developing States in Trade and Economic Development; The Role of Culture in the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States; Addressing Emerging Trends and Social Challenges for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States; and Building Resilience in Small Island Developing States.

High-level segment general debate

The list of speakers for the high-level segment of the International Meeting, to be held on 13 and 14 January 2005, is open for the general debate under item 8 of the provisional agenda entitled, "Comprehensive review of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States". Statements would be presented by Heads of State or Government, or their high-level appointees, on the basis of the list to be drawn up by the Secretariat in accordance with established practice. It has been recommended that statements not exceed five minutes. Delegations wishing to inscribe should indicate the name and designation for the speakers' list to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org).

High-level segment round tables

There will be two round tables on the overall theme "The Way Forward".

Round table 1, to be held on Thursday, 13 January, from 3 to 6 p.m., will highlight resources; and *Round table 2*, to be held on Friday, 14 January, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., will highlight capacity-building and technology transfer.

Delegations wishing to inscribe should indicate the name and designation and the round table to which they would like to inscribe to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org). Each interactive round table would have 40-50 participants and would be open to Heads of State or Government or their high-level appointees.

In accordance with paragraph 8 (a) of document A/CONF.207/4, representatives of United Nations specialized agencies, organizations and programmes and intergovernmental organizations, as well as the representative of the Civil Society Forum, wishing to make statements on the opening day, should indicate the name and designation to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its first regular session (17-19 January 2005) will take place on Monday, 10 January 2005, from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2005/1. All delegations are invited to attend.

First regular session for 2005

The first regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 17 to 19 January 2005 in Conference Room 2, at the United Nations Headquarters.

The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2005/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available on the UNICEF Web site (www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_23930.html).

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, 14 January 2005.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Joint meeting with the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA and WFP

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF and UNDP/UNFPA, with the participation of WFP, will be held on Thursday, 20 January, and on Monday, 24 January 2005, in Conference Room 2.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA will hold its pre-session informal consultation on all matters before the first regular session 2005, on Monday, 10 January 2005, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 8.

First regular session 2005

The first regular session 2005 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 25 January, to Friday, 28 January 2005, in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2005/L.1. Member States as well as observers and other organizations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA (fax 1 (212) 906-5634) as early as possible, but not later than 14 January 2005.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Thursday, 20 January, and on Monday, 24 January 2005, in Conference Room 2. Prior to the convening of the joint meeting, there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Thursday, 20 January, at 10 a.m., to elect its new Bureau for 2005.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Eastern European Group *(at the expert level)*

There will be a meeting of the Eastern European Group *(at the expert level)* on Monday, 20 December 2004, from 2 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

There will be a meeting of the Group of Experts on Economic Matters of the African Group on Tuesday, 21 December 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Announcements

Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding on Stand-by Arrangements with the Czech Republic

The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding on Stand-by Arrangements with the Czech Republic will take place on Wednesday, 22 December 2004, at 3 p.m. in room S-3727A.

Multi-stakeholder consultation on "Sovereign debt for sustained development: Issues for countries that access financial markets"

There will be a multi-stakeholder consultation on "Sovereign debt for sustained development: Issues for countries that access financial markets", organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in cooperation with the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, at United Nations Headquarters, on Monday and Tuesday, 31 January and 1 February 2005. The consultation will comprise a series of informal meetings, including panel discussions and interactive round tables, with the participation of experts from the official and private sectors, as well as academia and civil society, as mandated by General Assembly resolution 58/230. *Delegations wishing to nominate individuals with appropriate expertise to act as panellists and/or round-table participants are kindly invited to submit the name and curriculum vitae of the proposed expert to the Financing for Development Office, DESA (fax 1 (212) 963-0443; or e-mail ffdoffice@un.org), by Friday, 31 December 2004.* Information on the modalities and background documentation of the event is available at www.un.org/esa/ffd/09multi-stake-consul-flyer-debt.htm.

High-level round tables to be convened during the high-level plenary meetings of the forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development

The forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development will be held at Headquarters from 9 to 18 February 2005. In its resolution 2004/58, the Economic and Social Council decided that the forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development should convene high-level plenary meetings open to the participation of all United Nations Member States and observers on the 10-year review of the implementation of the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action and the outcome of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly. *The high-level plenary meetings will be held on 10 and 11 February 2005. In this regard, three high-level round tables will be convened on eradication of poverty, promoting full employment and fostering social integration.* Information on these three round tables, as well as other background information for the forty-third session of the Commission, is available for pick-up outside room DC2-1320. For further information, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/esa/socdev/csd/csocd2005.htm.

Security Council — **Daily informal briefings**

As from Friday, 3 December 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Background information on a report of the Secretary-General

The report of the Secretary-General on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/59/545 and can also be found on the United Nations Web site (www.un.org/SG).

Summary of meetings

Thursday, 16 December 2004

Security Council

5102nd meeting

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Kieran Prendergast, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs.

The Council heard a briefing by Mr. Prendergast.

5103rd meeting

The situation in Côte d'Ivoire

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Côte d'Ivoire, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2004/48).

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Second Committee

40th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [83]

(a) International trade and development

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.25/Rev.1

The representative of Qatar (on behalf of the Group and 77 and China) made a statement, in which he requested that action be taken on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.25 instead of A/C.2/59/L.25/Rev.1.

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement, in which he proposed that consideration of sub-item 83 (a) be deferred for 24 hours.

The representatives of Canada, the United States, Japan, Qatar and Chile made statements.

The representative of Chile and Ghana made statements regarding the status of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.25/Rev.1.

The Chairman made a statement, in which he announced that consideration of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.25 would be deferred for 24 hours.

(b) International financial system and development

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.2 and A/C.2/59/L.70

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Majdi Ramadan (Lebanon), introduced and orally corrected draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.70, which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.2.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.70, as orally corrected.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.70, draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.2 was withdrawn by its sponsors

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 83 (b).

(d) Commodities

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.26/Rev.1

The representative of Guyana, as facilitator, orally corrected the text.

The representative of the United States requested a recorded vote on operative paragraph 12 of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.26/Rev.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Benin, the United States, the United Republic of Tanzania and the Sudan.

A statement in explanation of vote before the vote was made by the representative of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union).

Operative paragraph 12 of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.26/Rev.1 was then adopted, by a recorded vote of 150 to 1, with 2 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of Japan.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution as a whole.

The representative of Benin made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 83 (d).

Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development . . . . . [84]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.4 and A/C.2/59/L.69

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Antonio Bernardini (Italy), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.69, which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.4.

The representative of Cameroon, as Facilitator, orally corrected the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.69, as orally corrected.

Statements were made by the representative of the United States, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union) and Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Chairman made a statement.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.69, draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.4 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

Globalization and interdependence . . . . . [87]

(a) Globalization and interdependence

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.20 and A/C.2/59/L.68

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Antonio Bernardini (Italy), introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.68, which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.20.

A statement was made by the representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.68, as orally revised.

The representatives of the United States and Chile made statements.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.68, draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.20 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 87 (a).

Groups of countries in special situations . . . . . [88]

(a) Third United Nations Conference on Least Developed Countries

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.42 and A/C.2/59/L.71

The Rapporteur of the Committee, Mr. Azanaw Tadesse Abreha (Ethiopia), introduced and orally corrected the draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.71, which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.42.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.71, as orally corrected.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representative of Japan, the United States and Canada.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.71, draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.42 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 88 (a).

Eradication of poverty and other development issues . . . . . [89]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.56

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Majdi Ramadan (Lebanon), made a statement.

The representative of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement, in the course of which he withdrew draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.56.

The representatives of Australia (also on behalf of Canada), the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), and Chile made statements.

(a) Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.50 and A/C.2/59/L.72

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Majdi Ramadan (Lebanon), introduced and orally revised the draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.72, which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.50.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.72, as orally revised.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the United States.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.72, draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.50 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the agenda 89 as a whole.

Operational activities for development . . . . . [90]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

(a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women, as contained in document A/59/135.

(b) Triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.28 and A/C.2/59/L.63

The Rapporteur of the Committee, Mr. Azanaw Tadesse Abreha (Ethiopia), introduced and orally corrected draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.63, which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.28.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.63, as orally corrected.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representative of France, Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union) and the United States.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.63, draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.28 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 90 as a whole.

Draft provisional programme of work for the sixtieth session of the Second Committee (A/C.2/59/CRP.1)

The Secretary of the Committee made an introductory statement and orally revised document A/C.2/59/CRP.1.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Committee decided to defer further consideration of document A/C.2/59/CRP.1 until its next meeting.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization, (institutionalization of the Facilitation Committee). London, 7 November 1991

Acceptance: Côte d'Ivoire (16 December 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Amendment to article 74 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 18 May 1978

Acceptance: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (16 December 2004)[1]

WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Ratification: Denmark (16 December 2004)[1]

Territorial exclusion: Denmark (16 December 2004)[1]

Ratification: Germany (16 December 2004)[1]

Ratification: Lithuania (16 December 2004)[1]

Ratification: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (16 December 2004)[1]

United Nations Convention on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and their Property
New York, 2 December 2004

Opening for signature

In accordance with its articles 28 and 33, the above Convention shall be open for signature by all States from 17 January 2005 until 17 January 2007, at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

Certified true copies of the Convention, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as possible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued by one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could notify and provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

For more information on full powers and a model instrument of full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site, which can be accessed at the following address: http://untreaty.un.org.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

Special presentation on "The international development agenda in 2005"

There will be a special presentation on "The international development agenda in 2005" by The Right Honourable Gordon Brown, MP, Chancellor of the Exchequer of the United Kingdom and Chairman of the International Monetary and Financial Committee. The event, organized by the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom, will take place *today*, 17 December 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Rebecca Clough, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (tel. 1 (212) 745-9372; or e-mail rebecca.clough@fco.gov.uk).

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